

MEMORANDUM BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

County of Placer

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors DATE: July 21, 2021

FROM: Todd Leopold, County Executive Officer

By: Daniel Chatigny, Finance and Budget Operations Manager

SUBJECT: American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Workshop

ACTION REQUESTED

Conduct a workshop to discuss the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund and the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund provided under the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) and provide direction to staff to return to the Board with specific project recommendations for approval.

BACKGROUND

On March 11, 2021, ARPA was signed into law. One aspect of the ARPA established the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund and the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (together, the Funds). The intention of the Fiscal Recovery Funds is to build on and expand support for the COVID-19 public health emergency provided previously through the CARES Act.

Placer County will be given a direct allocation of \$77,370,739 of Fiscal Recovery Funds. The first installment of \$38,685,369.50, representing 50% of the total allocation, was received on May 19, 2021. The remaining 50% is expected to be received around May 2022. Under the Interim Final Rule, funds can be used to cover costs incurred beginning March 3, 2021 and all funds must be obligated by December 31, 2024. All funds must be fully spent, and all work completed, by December 31, 2026.

On June 22, 2021 staff presented an introduction to the Fiscal Recovery Funds and sought Board direction on next steps for the planning of uses of these funds. The Board requested today's workshop to further discuss eligible uses of the Funds.

Based on discussions, the focus will be on the following eligible use categories:

- Respond to the public health emergency and address its negative economic effects
- Replace lost public sector revenue
- Invest in water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure

FISCAL IMPACT

This workshop does not have a direct fiscal impact. Projects and programs approved by the Board will have a fiscal impact and staff will return to the Board with necessary budget amendments as needed.